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[General Secondary - Second Stage]

English　　　　النمـــوذج الثـــالث　　　　time : 3 hours

اللغة الأجنبية الأولى / الانجليزية

(الأسئلة في أربع صفحات)

A) Language Functions

1- Respond to each of the following situations:

1- Someone says that computers are a bad thing. You do not have the same opinion. Say why.

2- You are told that Gedo scored 10 goals. Express how you feel about this.

3- You want to know about a friend's studying habits. What do you ask?

4- A friend asks you what you used to read when you were five.

2- Say where each of the following two mini -dialogues take place, the function and who the speakers are:

1) A) At last we're here. What time does our flight leave, Dad?

B) At midday. We've still got lots of time.

A) Are you sure we have everything we need?

B) Yes, I'm sure. Please stop worrying, Ali!

Place :.........
Speaker A : ....
Speaker B: ....
Function: ....

2-) A : Have you seen Mustafa?

B: No, sir. He was at his desk on the phone a few minutes ago.

A: Isn't he there now?

B: No, maybe he's gone home already.

A : He can't have gone home. He's preparing a report me

Place :.........
Speaker A : ....
Speaker B: ....
Function: ....

B- Vocabulary and structure

3- Choose the correct answer from a,b,c or d :

1- You can .... a new ship and a rocket.

a- launch　　b- lunch　　c- harsh　　d- lash

2- The car stopped because there was a .... in the petrol tank.

a- peak　　b- peek　　c- leak　　d- lake

3- Novels are usually works of ...., but they are often based on real life.

a-fictional　　b- faction　　c- factual　　d- fiction

4- Classics ...... a required subject long ago.

a- was　　b- were　　c- are　　d- be

5- .... is a ceremony when someone becomes the new king or queen

a- coordination　　b-coronation　　c- celebration　　d- cooperation

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6- Water is the .... from ice.

a- liquid b- from c- equal d- liquefy

7- I really enjoyed this book. It is written in a very simple .....

a- steal b- style c- frame d- formation

8- Yehia Haqqi was born .... 1905 in the Sayyida Zeinab district of Cairo

a- on b- by c- at d- in

9- She does not need to wear glasses. There is nothing wrong with her...

a- tongue b- sigh c- sight d- site

10- I.......................... next weekend. It's already arranged.

a- will leave b- leave c- have lived d- am leaving

11- In many countries, the wind .... to generate electricity.

a- used b- use c- are used d- is used

12- I....... my own computer for three years now.

a- had b- have had c- am having d- had had

13- The Mousetrap .... as a radio play in 1947.

a- wrote b- writes c- is written d- was written

14- Water .... if the temperature is zero or below.

a- will freeze b- would freeze c- freezes d- freeze.

15- My uncle can?t remember his accident. The doctor thinks he may have ....

a- headache b- phobia c- amnesia d- injury

16- If he doesn?t get enough hours sleep every night, he ... really tired the next day.

a- will feel b- feels c- would feel d- is feeling

4- Find the mistake in each of the following sentences then write it correctly :

1- If it had been an eclipse, the sky would have gone dark.

2- My plane is leaving Cairo today at 10 pm.

3- Rubber is made from the bark of trees.

4- My plan is that I will study hard all week.

5- He is believed to have stolen the bank.

C-Reading:

5- Read the following passage then answer the questions

Egyptology is the science of Egyptian antiquities. Many universities all over the world teach their students that interesting science. Students who study this science are interested in searching for the treasures of the Pharaohs. They come to Egypt and cooperate with the Egyptian universities to choose the important sites.

They draw maps that help them follow the hidden towns, temples and tombs. modern technology is used to make their search safe and fruitful.

Archaeologists are experts who are concerned with the study of ancient civiliza-

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tion based on objects or parts of buildings that are found in the ground. Champollion was the French archaeologist who found the key to the ancient Egyptian language. He was able to read the Egyptian text written on the Rosetta stone. Champollion came to Egypt with Napoleon in 1799. It was the Rosetta stone that helped us to learn about our ancient Egyptian grandfathers who were great in the human history.

A- Answer the following questions:

1- Why do foreign and Egyptian universities cooperate?

2- How was the Rosetta stone helpful to us?

3- What does the underlined pronoun ? he? refer to?

B- Choose the correct answer:

1. .... is the science that deals with the Egyptian discoveries.

a) Antiquities b) Egyptology

c) Archaeologists d)Rosetta stone

2. Using modern technology is ....

a) useless b) helpful c) use d) wasteful

3. Champollion ....

a) was interested in the Egyptian civilization.

b)Never read about Egypt

c)Never visited Egypt

d)Was an English expert.

6- Read the following passage then answer the questions

A comet is a member of the solar system which travels on an orbit combined with gases. The brightest part of a comet is the head and it has a tail composed of thin gases and fine particles. Comets should not be confused with meteorites or "shooting stars" which flash across the sky at almost any time. For many centuries the coming of a comet caused people to tremble with fear. They believed that comets were evil signs foretelling plagues, wars and deaths. It often happened that a comet was seen about the time that an important event in history took place. One appeared in the sky just before Jerusalem was captured and destroyed by the Romans about 2000 years ago. During the funeral of Julius Caesar, a great bright comet was seen over the city of Rome. Another was seen on the day that the Roman emperor Nero killed himself. When people understand what causes these bright flashes in the sky, superstition and fear change to curiosity. Although there is still much to learn, astronomers know a great deal about comets and their orbits. Comets do eventually die, that is, they break up and are scattered along their orbits in the form of meteoric dust.

A. Answer the following questions:

1- What is the difference between a comet and a meteorite?

2- Why did people fear comets?

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3- What does the underlined word 'One' refer to?

B - Choose the right answer from a, b, c or d:

4- The word 'foretelling' means:

a- calculating, b- predicting c-informing d-estimating.

5- .... is a belief that certain events cannot be explained by reason or science, or that they bring good or bad luck.

a- Supervision, b- Superiority. c- Superstition, d-Science.

Novel (the Prisoner of Zinda)

A) Answer the following questions:

1- On his way to the palace, Rudolf Rassendyll, who pretended to be the King, did what the real King had never done. Discuss.

2- Why did Rudolf Rassendyll shout at Marshal Strakencz?

3- What was the poor people?s reaction when they saw Rudolf Rassendyll?

4- How did Rudolf Rassendyll try to improve the King's image صورة in the minds of poor people?

B) Read the following quotation, then answer the questions:

1- "Don't you understand me Tell your soldiers to go!"

a) Who said this to whom?

b) Why did the speaker want to ride alone?

c) Why was the addressed person reluctant to carry out the order ?

C) find the mistake in each of the following sentences and correct it:

1- Colonel Sapt and Rudolf Rassendyll hid in the forest of Zenda where they could see Josef and Johann going to the castle.

2-Sapt and Rudolf Rassendyll could hear the people coming behind them as it was raining.

D- Writing (11 marks)

8- Write a paragraph about 100 words about? Something you use everyday and which you would really miss if it hadn't been invented (Computers)?.

Translation

a Translate into Arabic:

Some people believe that genetically modified food may bring new diseases in the future. Others are in favour of this type of food. They think GM crops can improve agriculture and protect people from starvation in poor countries.

B Translate into English:

١- لا يمكن لأحد أن ينسي الشهداء الذين ضحوا بأرواحهم من اجل الوطن.

٢- ما حدث في أستاد بورسعيد يعتبر كارثة حقيقية لا يجب أن تتكرر مرة ثانية.

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